

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1587
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2000
VOLUNTARY RETIREMENT SCHEME
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Central Government employees/officers who opted for voluntary retirement under the Voluntary Retirement Scheme as on date;
- (b) the details of the retirement and other benefits given to these Central Government employees/officers
- (c) whether the female employees and officers have opted more for voluntary retirement in comparison to their male counter-parts;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the year-wise and Grade-wise details of the last three years;
- (e) the total number of pending cases pertaining to payment to these employees and officers have been settled so far and the total number of cases pending as on date;
- (f) whether the employees and officers opting for voluntary retirement are entitled to all the pensionary benefits on priority basis; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING AND DEPARTMENT OF PENSION AND PENSIONERS' WELFARE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. VASUN RAJE)

(a)&(b) : The Central Govt. servants can seek retirement on completion of 20 years qualifying service under Rule 48-A of the Central Civil Services(Pension) Rules, 1972. The powers under this rule vest with the appointing authority and hence no data about the number of govt. servants allowed to retire under this rule is centrally available. The retirement benefits are granted to them as per the scales laid down in the said Rules.

(c)&(d) : Since the powers under Rules 48-A of the Central Civil Services(Pension) Rules, 1972 vest with the appointing authority, no data about the number of female and male Government servants allowed to retire under this rule is centrally available.

(e) : Sanction and disbursement of pension has been decentralized to the respective Ministries/Departments and therefore, the information is not centrally maintained.

(f) and (g) : All the retirement benefits are granted as per the scales laid down in Rules 49 and 50 of the Central Civil Services

(Pension) Rules, 1972. Processing of pension papers in respect of Government servants who opt for Voluntary Retirement under Rule 48-A of the said Rules will be initiated only after the retirement of the Government servant, as the rule provides for withdrawal of notice of retirement also with the specific approval of the Competent Authority.